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A LIQUID CRYSTAL ALIGNMENT AND METHOD FOR ALIGNMENT OF LIQUID **CRYSTAL MOLECULES**

> LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 12, 2003, an extension of time for a period of three months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 142089 in the amount of \$930.00 in payment for: Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$110.00) Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$410.00) X Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$930.00)

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